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Corey Simons et al.

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Examiner: Ryman, Daniel J.

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 18, 2004 in the above-referenced patent application, Applicants provide the following amendments and remarks. Reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.